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In re patent application of Brian F. Conaghan, et al.

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For: HIGH CONDUCTIVITY INKS WITH LOW MINIMUM CURING TEMPERATURES

Examiner: K. Vijayakumar

Group Art Unit: 1751

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ELECTION

Sir:

In an Office Action mailed September 21, 2006, the Examiner requested an election under 35 U.S.C. §121 between the following inventions:

Group I: Claims 1-6, drawn to "A conductive ink composition", classified in class 252, subclass 512;

Group II: Claims 7-13, drawn to "A method of preparing an electrically conductive ink", classified in class 427, subclass 216;

Group III: Claims 14-23, drawn to "A method for preparing a solid pure metal conductor on a substrate", classified in class 427, subclass 372.2;

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Group IV: Claims 24-34, drawn to "A conductive ink composition",

classified in class 428, subclass 570;

Group V: Claims 35-47, drawn to "A method of preparing an

electrically conductive ink", classified in class 427, subclass 220.

Group VI: Claims 48-62, drawn to "A method of preparing a solid pure

metal conductor", classified in class 427, subclass 98.4.

In response to the Examiner's restriction requirement, applicants hereby

elect Group VI (i.e., Claims 48-62) for further prosecution herein. Applicants hereby

reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected

inventions.

In view of the foregoing election, applicants and their attorney respectfully

request that this application be examined on the merits. Should there remain any

questions or other matters whose resolution could be advanced by a telephone call, the

Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at his number below.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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